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INSPECTING A PHOTOMASK, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A  
PHOTOMASK, AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Continuation-In-Part of U.S. Serial No. 09/263,937, filed March 8, 1999, which was a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Serial No. 09/105, 031, and which claimed priority of Japanese Application No. 9-171695 filed June 27, 1997, and Japanese Patent Application No. 10-201942, filed July 16, 1998. Certified copies of the priority applications are on file in the prior applications.

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